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<u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> <u>RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED</u>

Ms. Cheryl D. Cabbil
UCOR Environmental, Safety, Health
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URS/CH2M Oak Ridge LLC (UCOR)
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Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37831

Re: CERCLA Off-site Rule: Notice of Unacceptability for

East Tennessee Technology Park's K-25 TSCA Incinerator

EPA I.D. Number TN0 890 009 004

Dear Ms. Cabbil:

This letter is to notify you that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency acknowledges receipt of your letter, dated September 13, 2012, requesting that the EPA withdraw its Notice of Acceptability, issued on December 16, 1994, for the East Tennessee Technology Park's K-25 TSCA Incinerator located in Oak Ridge, Roane County, Tennessee. This Notice of Acceptability rendered the K-25 TSCA Incinerator acceptable for the receipt of off-site waste generated as a result of removal or remedial activities under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. §§ 9601 et seq.

On September 22, 1993, the EPA amended the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan, 40 C.F.R. Part 300, by adding Section 300.440, now known as the Off-Site Rule. The Rule implements and codifies the requirements contained in CERCLA Section 121(d)(3), 42 U.S.C. § 9621(d)(3). The Off-Site Rule establishes criteria and procedures for determining if facilities are acceptable for the off-site receipt of CERCLA waste, and outlines the actions affected by the standard. Included within these procedures is a process for facilities to seek reconsideration of a determination of unacceptability. See 40 C.F.R. § 300.440(d). A copy of the Off-Site Rule is enclosed for your reference.

Your September 13, 2012, letter states that the above-referenced incinerator is no longer operable and is therefore no longer accepting wastes for treatment. As a result, the EPA will remove the East Tennessee Technology Park's K-25 TSCA Incinerator from the universe of acceptable facilities under the CERCLA Off-Site Rule. The unacceptability of the facility becomes effective immediately upon your receipt of this notice. The facility will remain unacceptable until such time as the EPA notifies the owner/operator otherwise. Please refer to 40 C.F.R. § 300.440(d) for information regarding the facility's ability to request an informal conference or to submit written comments regarding this Notice of Unacceptability.



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DOE Contract No. DE-SC-0004645 ETO-12-0053 September 13, 2012

Ms. Paula A. Whiting
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Dear Ms. Whiting:

DE-SC-0004645: Request to Withdraw the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) Off-Site Notice of Acceptability for the East Tennessee Technology Park's Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Incinerator (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Identification Number TN0 890 090 004)

As requested in your e-mail dated September 3, 2012, the purpose of this letter is to request the withdrawal of the CERCLA Off-Site Notice of Acceptability pursuant to 40 CFR 300.400(d) for the East Tennessee Technology Park's TSCA Incinerator. The approval to receive off-site CERCLA wastes for treatment is no longer required because:

- The TSCA Incinerator is physically closed, inoperable, and is no longer accepting any waste for treatment.
- A Facility Closure Certification Report has been submitted to the Tennessee Division of Solid Waste Management and EPA Region IV.
- The EPA has terminated the Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCB) Disposal Approval for the TSCA Incinerator.

Therefore, URS | CH2M Oak Ridge LLC (UCOR), the current U.S. Department of Energy contractor and facility operator for the TSCA Incinerator, requests that EPA withdraw the CERCLA off-site notice of acceptability issued by Region IV in the attached letter dated December 16, 1994.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Tony Poole at (865) 241-3591.

Sincerely.

Cheryl D. Cabbil

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UCOR Environment, Safety, Health and Quality Assurance Manager

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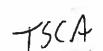
Mr. Joe LaGrone U.S. Department of Energy Oak Ridge Operations P.O. Box 2001 Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37831-8541

Mr. Gordon G. Fee, President Martin Marietta Energy Systems Post Office Box E 2003 Oak Ridge Reservation Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37831

CERCLA Off-Site Rule: Affirmative Determination of Acceptability for K-25 Incinerator, Oak Ridge, Tennessee

Dear Messrs. LaGrone and Fee:

This letter serves to inform you that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has made an affirmative determination of acceptability for the receipt of off-site waste at the U.S. Department of Energy K-25 Incinerator (K-25), Oak Ridge, Tennessee, EPA I.D. No. TNO 890 090 004. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. Section 300.440(a)(4), EPA has completed an initial assessment of K-25, and finds the facility acceptable for the receipt of offsite waste. Such off-site wastes are defined as those wastes generated as a result of activities authorized or funded by the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CBRCLA). On September 22, 1993, EPA amended the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP), 40 CFR Part 300, by adding Section 300.440, now known as the Offsite Rule. The rule implements and codifies the requirements contained in CERCLA Section 121(d)(3), and incorporates many provisions of the November 13, 1987 OSWER Directive (No. 9834.11), known as the Off-site Policy. The Off-site Rule establishes the criteria and procedures for determining if facilities are acceptable for the off-site receipt of CERCLA waste, and outlines the actions affected by the standard. Off-site Rule requires that prior to a facility's initial receipt of CERCLA waste, EPA shall determine if there are relevant releases or relevant violations at the facility.









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Ms. Susan M. Cange
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Dear Ms. Cange:

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency has reviewed the Closure Certification Report for the TSCA Incinerator, East Tennessee Technology Park, Oak Ridge, Tennessee (CCR), submitted by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to the EPA via certified mail on June 10, 2011. Based on the information contained in the CCR and a visual inspection of the incinerator on October 27, 2011, the EPA finds that closure of the facility pursuant to Condition 18 of the March 20, 1989, Approval to Dispose of Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) (PCB Disposal Approval) has been satisfactorily accomplished.

Because a limited number of areas at the facility remain contaminated with PCBs and could not be decontaminated to unrestricted use standards, the DOE submitted a PCB institutional control plan (ICP), dated April 30, 2012, to the EPA. The ICP outlines the specific areas to be monitored and the required controls that will allow continued, low occupancy use of the facility during the surveillance and maintenance period. The EPA understands that final remediation of the remaining PCB contamination at the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) incinerator will be addressed during facility demolition and memorialized in a Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) Record of Decision, under the Federal Facility Agreement for the Oak Ridge Reservation.

Based on the information contained in the CCR, the ICP and our visual inspection of the closed facility, the EPA hereby terminates the PCB Disposal Approval for the DOE East Tennessee Technology Park TSCA incinerator. As a means of ensuring that institutional controls are maintained, the ICP was formally incorporated into revision five of the Oak Ridge Reservation Polychlorinated Biphenyl Federal Facility Compliance Agreement (ORR-PCB-FFCA), on May 31, 2012. As required by that modification, we look forward to receiving updates on the status of the incinerator demolition schedule and efforts made to implement the ICP, during the annual ORR-PCB-FFCA meetings.

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SUBJ: CERCLA Off-Site Rule: <u>Affirmative Determination</u> of Acceptability for K-25 Incinerator, Oak Ridge, Tennessee

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On September 12, 1994, the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) conducted a Compliance Evaluation Inspection (CEI) of K-25, to determine K-25's compliance with Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) and other applicable environmental standards. The results from the September 12, 1994, CEI, indicate that K-25 is currently in compliance with RCRA, and other applicable environmental standards. Therefore, effective upon receipt of this letter K-25 is acceptable to receive CERCLA off-site waste at the facility described above. Should any new information affecting this determination develop, the Agency reserves the right to revisit this decision. By issuing this notice, EPA is in no way authorizing K-25 to undertake any waste management practice at the facility for which K-25 has not been previously authorized by TDEC or EPA.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Edmond J. Burks, Regional Off-Site Contact, Region 4, at (404) 347-7603.

Sincerely yours,

Joseph R. Franzmathes

Director

Waste Management Division

Enclosure Off-Site Rule

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